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Dear Governor Davis,

Please act to strengthen the CALFED Bay/Delta Program so it will protect California's rivers, bays, and drinking water. California needs healthy rivers and ecosystems. Ample clean water for families, farms, and businesses can be provided without construction of new dams, reservoirs, and major water transfer facilities. I am concerned that workable alternatives will not be given a chance.

- Include those alternatives which effectively restructure California's water allocation system and encourage water conservation to make supplies available without new dams or large canals.

- Guarantee adequate fresh water delivery to the river systems and protect the lands along the rivers to restore California's river, bays, and fisheries.

- Enforce pollution limits to improve water quality both for our drinking water supply and for wildlife.

- Stop paying for studies of dams, reservoirs, and large canals which flood valuable habitat and remove fresh water from our rivers.

- Invest in water efficiency programs for at least seven years before even considering new water retention and transfer projects.

I urge you to insist that environmental protection be the basis for CALFED. Alternative programs must be given sufficient time to demonstrate their effectiveness before studies of dams, reservoirs, & large water transfer facilities are undertaken.

Sincerely,


cc: Water Resources Director Tom Hannigan

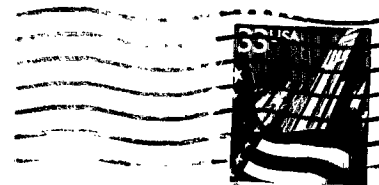
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